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AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

American Legion Auxiliary  
New Mexico Girls State  
Bill Instruction Sheet



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Simple Title of Bill: Requirement of Increased Use of Renewable Energy in Utilities

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**70<sup>TH</sup> SESSION – AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY NEW MEXICO GIRLS STATE – 2017**

INTRODUCED BY

AN ACT

RELATING TO UTILITIES; REQUIRING THAT RENWEABLE ENERGY COMPRISES A  
MINIMUM OF 50 PERCENT OF NEW MEXICO ELECTRICAL COMPANIES' RETAIL  
SALES TO NEW MEXICO CUSTOMERS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY NEW  
MEXICO GIRLS STATE:

1 **SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS.**— As used in the Requirement of Renewable Energy in  
2 Utilities Act:

3 A. “utilities” means electric and gas power

4 B. “customers” means New Mexico residents

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6 **SECTION 2. REQUIREMENTS.**— Utilities shall be required to implement more renewable  
7 energy methods into their output of electrical power for New Mexico customers. A minimum  
8 of 50 percent of the utilities’ power output to customers shall come from renewable energy  
9 such as solar power, wind energy, and hydropower. Requirements shall be implemented  
10 for the purpose of preserving the health of New Mexico’s environment and the health of  
11 New Mexico residents.

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13 **Section 3. RESTRICTIONS.**—

14 A. Electric utility companies shall have a two-year period from the date this act is set  
15 into law to make the necessary additions and changes to their services for the  
16 purpose of incorporating more renewable energy into their production. In addition,  
17 electric utility companies shall have five years to meet the 50 percent production  
18 requirement for customers.

19 B. Gas utility companies shall have a two-year period from the date this act is set into  
20 law to make the necessary additions and changes to their services for the purpose  
21 of incorporating more renewable energy into their production. In addition, electric  
22 utility companies shall have five years to meet the 50 percent production  
23 requirement for customers.

24 C. Utility companies shall be obligated to go through a yearly state appointed inspection  
25 of their production facility/facilities for five years after this act becoming

1 law for the purpose of checking the progress of the utilities implementation of  
2 renewable energy into their production. After the fifth year, the utility companies shall  
3 be obligated to undergo a bi-yearly inspection for the purpose of maintaining the 50  
4 percent requirement and the quality of the environment.

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6 All laws, acts, provisions, or parts of laws contained in the Constitution of the State of New  
7 Mexico in conflict with any provision of this act are hereby repealed.

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9 **SECTION 4.** EFFECTIVE DATE: This act shall become effective 90 days after its  
10 passage and approved by the American Legion Auxiliary New Mexico Girls State Governor  
11 or it's otherwise becoming a law.